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Applicants	Geoffrey H. Gill, et al.
Serial No. 09/515,724	Filing Date: February 29, 2000
Title of Application:	System For Anonymously Purchasing Goods And Services Over The Internet
Confirmation No. 1108	Group Art Unit: 3628
Examiner	Debora F. Charles

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Notice of Appeal from the Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed September 24, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-17.

- 1. Status of Applicant. This application is on behalf of a small entity.
- 2. **Fee for Filing Notice of Appeal**. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b), the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is \$165.00.
- 3. **Time To Reply**. The final rejection is dated September 24, 2003. The period for response granted therein is three months from the date thereof. Thus, this Notice is timely filed on or before December 24, 2003.

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4. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the amount of \$165.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

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